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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Intermedia Communications Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Docket No. 04-000 24

Dear Chairman Tate:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intermedia Communications Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 4, 2003. The Amendment modifies Attachment 8 to require on time payment of amounts under billing dispute.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

cc: Vice President, National Contract & Carrier Management, MCI WorldCom, Inc.

Vice President & Chief Network Counsel, WorldCom, Inc.

Senior Manager, Carrier Agreements, MCI WorldCom, Inc.

Commercial Counsel, MCI WorldCom, Inc.

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Intermedia Communications Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket	No.	
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PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND INTERMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS INC. PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, Intermedia Communications, Inc. ("Intermedia") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 4, 2003 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Intermedia and BellSouth state the following:

- 1. Intermedia and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Intermedia. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on April 24, 2003.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which modifies Attachment 8 to require on time payment of amounts under billing dispute. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intermedia and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Intermedia within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. Intermedia and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

Intermedia and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 29 day of 500, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By:____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

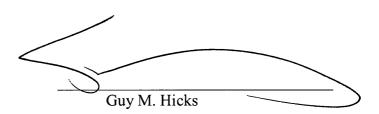
I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the day of ______, 2004:

MCI WorldCom, Inc. 5055 Northpoint Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30022 Attn: Vice President, National Contract & Carrier Management

Vice President & Chief Network Counsel WorldCom, Inc. 1133 19th Street Washington, DC 20036

Senior Manager Carrier Agreements MCI WorldCom, Inc. 205 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60601

Commercial Counsel MCI WorldCom, Inc. 5055 Northpoint Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30022



Amendment to the Agreement Between Intermedia Communications Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Dated April 4, 2003

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), Intermedia Communications Inc. (Intermedia), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties for the State of Tennessee dated April 4, 2003 ("Agreement").

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Intermedia entered into the Agreement on April 4, 2003, and;

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Intermedia desire to amend the Agreement in order to modify provisions pursuant to the August 5, 2003 United States Bankruptcy Court Order approving the settlement and compromise of certain matters ("Settlement Agreement") with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and WorldCom, Inc.;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. The Parties agree Section 4.2.12 of Attachment 8 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 - 4.2.12 The disputing Party must document its claim to the other Party in writing. If the Parties are unable to resolve the dispute to their mutual satisfaction, either Party may file a complaint with the Commission/Board in accordance with the Commission's/Board's rules of procedure. For purposes of this Agreement, the Dispute Date is the date on which the disputing Party presents sufficient documentation to support a claim. The disputing Party will make full payment including any disputed amounts to the billing Party within thirty (30) calendar days after the Bill Date.
- 2. The Parties agree Sections 4.2.12.3.1 and 4.2.12.3.2 of Attachment 8 shall be deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:
 - 4.2.12.3.1 Left Blank Intentionally
 - 4.2.12.3.2 Left Blank Intentionally
- 3. The Parties agree Section 4.2.18.1 of Attachment 8 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

- Under no circumstances shall MCI withhold any payment at any time during the processing of a billing dispute. If payment of account is not received by the Bill Date in the month after the original Bill Date, the billing Party may provide written notice to the billed Party, that additional applications for Service will be refused and that any pending orders for Service will not be completed if payment is not received by the fifteenth (15th) calendar day following the date of the notice. In addition the billing Party may, at the same time, give thirty (30) calendar days notice to the person designated by the billed Party to receive notices of noncompliance, and discontinue the provision of existing services to the billed Party at any time thereafter without further notice. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, BellSouth may deny, disconnect, discontinue, or refuse applications for those services for which MCIm has not made payment. If the Parties are still unable to resolve the dispute, then the Parties may pursue all dispute resolution measures available under this Agreement.
- 4. All other provisions in the Agreement dated April 4, 2003 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

4.2.18.1

- 5. Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Act. However, by filing this amendment incorporating said rates, neither Party waives its right to file opposition to the approval of this Amendment under Section 252(e)(2) nor does either Party waive its rights to seek judicial review of the rates contained herein.
- 6. The provisions of Paragraph 3 of this Amendment shall be effective as November 18, 2003, and shall continue for a period of two years from the Settlement Effective Date, as that term is defined in the Settlement Agreement. To the extent necessary to give effect to the two-year term, the provisions of Paragraph 3 of this Amendment shall survive the expiration of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and year written below.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

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Name: PAT G PINGEN

Title: DIKECTOR

Date: 12/17/03

Intermedia Communications Inc.

By: //////
Name: Marcel

Title: $\bigvee \rho$

Date: 12/15/03

Attachment B-1

CMRS Local Interconnection Rates (All rates are Per Minute of Use)

December 15, 2001 through June 14, 2003

Type 1 (End Office Switched) \$.0010 Type 2A (Tandem Switched) \$.0010 Type 2B (Dedicated End Office) \$.0010

June 15, 2003 through June 14, 2004

(If such dates are applicable during the term of this Agreement)

Type 1 (End Office Switched) \$.0007 Type 2A (Tandem Switched) \$.0007 Type 2B (Dedicated End Office) \$.0007

June 15, 2004 through current term of the Agreement, (unless the FCC approves a rate other than that reflected herein)

Type 1 (End Office Switched) \$.0007 Type 2A (Tandem Switched) \$.0007 Type 2B (Dedicated End Office) \$.0007